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Office Action Summary

Application No.

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Applicant(s)

SMETS ET AL.

Examiner

Preeti Kumar

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-- The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address --

Period for Reply

A SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD FOR REPLY IS SET TO EXPIRE 3 MONTH(S) FROM THE MAILING DATE OF THIS COMMUNICATION.

- Extensions of time may be available under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a). In no event, however, may a reply be timely filed after SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
- If the period for reply specified above is less than thirty (30) days, a reply within the statutory minimum of thirty (30) days will be considered timely.
- If NO period for reply is specified above, the maximum statutory period will apply and will expire SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
- Failure to reply within the set or extended period for reply will, by statute, cause the application to become ABANDONED (35 U.S.C. § 133). Any reply received by the Office later than three months after the mailing date of this communication, even if timely filed, may reduce any earned patent term adjustment. See 37 CFR 1.704(b).

Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 05 April 2004.
- 2a) ☒ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☐ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1,3,4 and 7-12 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1,3,4 and 7-12 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
- ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 - ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 - ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

- ☐ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
- ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
- ☒ Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08)
Paper No(s)/Mail Date 7/30/2004
- ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413)
Paper No(s)/Mail Date. _____
- ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
- ☐ Other: _____

DETAILED ACTION

Response to Amendment

1. Claims 1, 3-4 and 7-12 are pending. Claims 2, 5-6 are cancelled. Claim 1 is independent.
2. The rejection of claims 1,3-4 and 7-12 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being obvious over von der Osten et al. (US 6,015,783) is maintained for the reasons of record, and further explained below
3. The rejection of claims 1-4 and 7-12 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Danielsen et al. (US 6,410,291) is withdrawn in light of applicant's amendment to the claims.

Response to Arguments

4. Applicant's arguments filed on April 5, 2004, have been fully considered but they are not persuasive.
5. Applicant's urge that von der Osten et al. fail to teach or suggest a detergent composition comprising a starch binding domain that is introduced into the claimed detergent composition as part of the cyclodextrin glucanotransferase enzyme as set forth in the independent claim 1. Specifically, Applicant's urge that von der Osten et al. teach linking the catalytically active site of a CGTase with the SBD from another enzyme (See Applicant's Remarks page 5, ln.10-16) and thus the prior art does not teach or suggest the material limitation to a starch binding domain that is part of the cyclodextrin glucanotransferase enzyme.

However, the examiner would like applicant to note that the instant claims are drawn to a starch binding domain that is part of a cyclodextrin

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glucanotransferase and wherein the SBD is derived from glucoamylase of *Aspergillus niger* or betagalactosidase of *A. awamori*. The material limitations of the instant claims do not exclude a starch binding domain linked to cyclodextrin glucanotransferase. The instant claims as recited, are not limited to a starch binding domain from a cyclodextrin glucanotransferase enzyme of a species in particular.

Thus, the prior art suggestion of a detergent composition comprising a cyclodextrin glucanotransferase linked to a starch binding domain derived from glucoamylase of *Aspergillus niger* is sufficient to anticipate the material limitations of the instant claims. Also, as stated in the first non-final rejection dated February 28, 2002, von der Osten provide motivation to incorporate any amylase enzyme into the detergent composition at a level from 0.00001% to 2% of enzyme protein by weight of the composition which encompasses the amount recited by the newly amended claim. See col.18-19.

Conclusion

6. **THIS ACTION IS MADE FINAL.** Applicant is reminded of the extension of time policy as set forth in 37 CFR 1.136(a).

A shortened statutory period for reply to this final action is set to expire **THREE MONTHS** from the mailing date of this action. In the event a first reply is filed within **TWO MONTHS** of the mailing date of this final action and the advisory action is not mailed until after the end of the **THREE-MONTH** shortened statutory period, then the shortened statutory period will expire on the date the advisory action is mailed, and any extension fee pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) will be

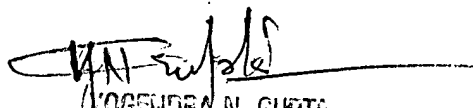
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calculated from the mailing date of the advisory action. In no event, however, will the statutory period for reply expire later than SIX MONTHS from the mailing date of this final action.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Preeti Kumar whose telephone number is 571-272-1320. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F 9:00am - 5:30pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Yogendra N. Gupta can be reached on 571-272-1316. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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